

ABSTRACT:

The invention relates to the domain of multi-media scene description. In a conventional manner a scene description stream comprises coded data relating to scene descriptions and coded data relating to scene modifications. Access points to the stream are provided to permit a user to get into the stream at whatever instant. These access points are formed by data relating to a complete scene description. In accordance with the invention, when a scene description is coded, the coded data resulting therefrom are stored in a memory. And access points inserted into the stream are formed by the coded data stored in this memory. One thus avoids to code a new scene description every time an access point is to be inserted into the stream.

Application: notably BIFS.